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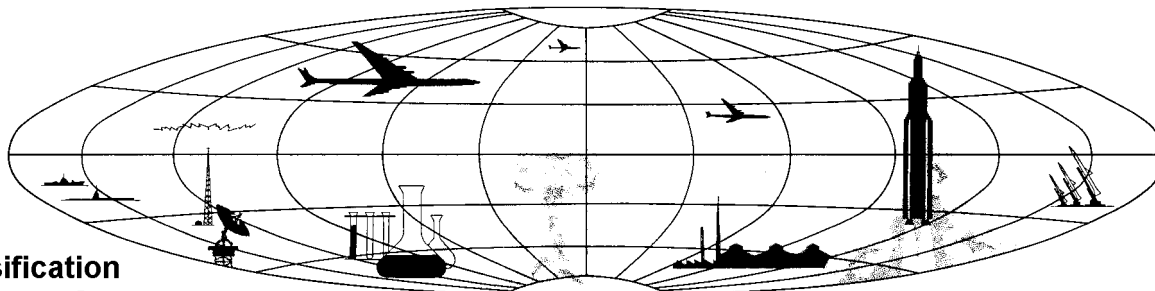
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PREFACE

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In the interest of uniformity, the titles and letter designators for the facilities observed at these installations are identical with those appearing in the project requirement. When a specific facility is not observed both its title and letter designator are omitted in the report.

Titles and letter designators for the various facilities are as follows: (A) railroad service, (B) road service, (C) landing strips, (D) administrative and troop housing areas, (E) storage areas, (F) ammunition storage areas, (G) POL storage areas, (H) other buildings and facilities, (J) equipment storage/maintenance areas, (K) athletic fields, (L) small arms firing ranges, (M) driver training areas, (N) tank/assault gun firing ranges, (P) flat trajectory firing ranges, (Q) artillery emplacements (batteries), (R) infantry or combined arms field training areas or courses, (S) special training facilities, (T) unidentified facilities or tracking activity.

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AVCHALA ARMY BARRACKS TBILISI NORTH

(41-47N 044-48E)

TBILISI, GRUZINSKAYA SSR, USSR

TRANSCAUCASUS MD

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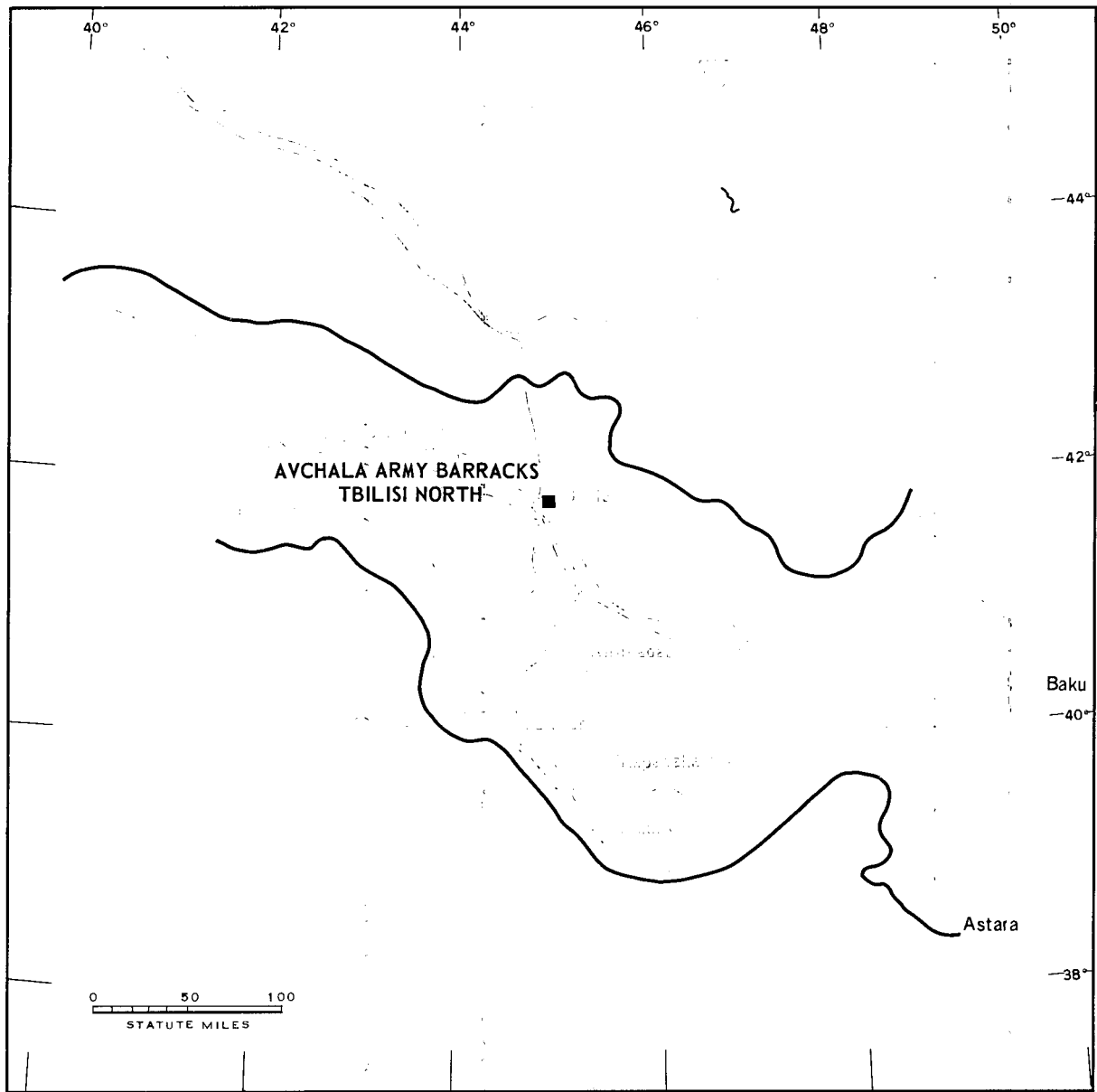


FIGURE 1. LOCATION OF AVCHALA ARMY BARRACKS TBILISI NORTH.

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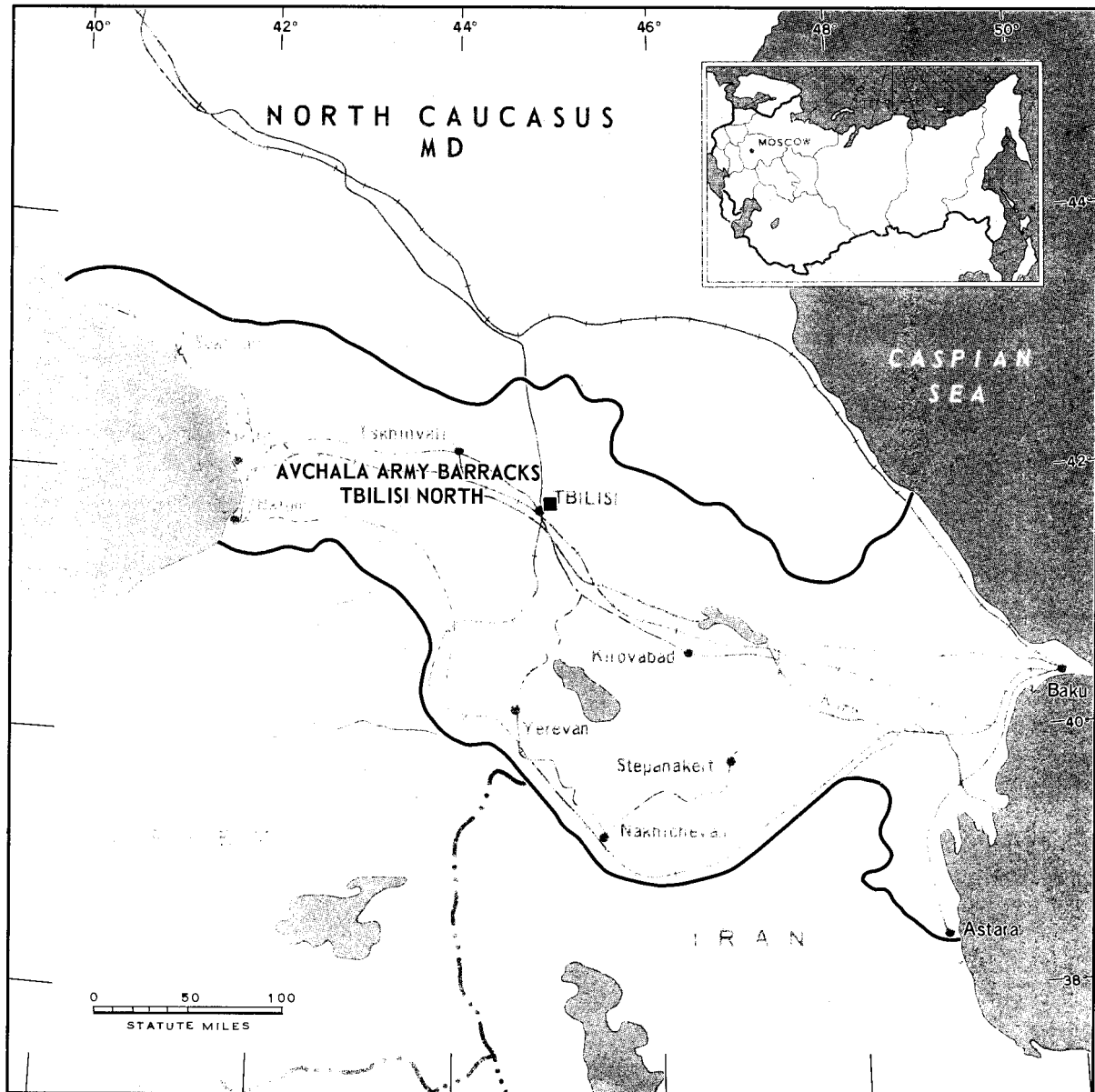


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FIGURE 2. AVCHALA ARMY BARRACKS TBILISI NORTH, TBILISI, USSR

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SUMMARY

The Avchala Army Barracks Tbilisi North is located 5 kilometers (km) northeast of Tbilisi Railroad Passenger Station (Figure 1). The installation covers an area of approximately 1,000 acres and contains barracks, administration, storage, and vehicle maintenance buildings. Three small-arms firing ranges are located on the northeast perimeter of the area (Figures 2

and 3). No security fences were observed except around a probable ammunition storage area adjoining the small-arms ranges.

A comparative study of [] missions from [] reveals the construction of the 3 small-arms ranges in 1963. Continuous activity was noted during the 1961 to 1964 period.

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DESCRIPTION OF INSTALLATION

Road Service

All-weather roads serve the area.

Administration and Troop Housing Area

Area D contains 4 multistory barracks, 1 multistory administration building, 29 dependents quarters, and 2 support buildings.

General Storage Areas

Area E1 contains 1 administration building and 6 storage buildings.

Area E2 contains 2 storage buildings.

Ammunition Storage Area

Area F contains 4 probable ammunition storage buildings separated by blast walls.

Other Buildings and Facilities

Area H is laid out for a tent encampment

and contains 1 administration building and 2 support buildings.

Equipment Storage/Maintenance Area

Area J contains 4 vehicle storage buildings each 150 by 35 feet, 1 vehicle maintenance building 110 by 35 feet, 2 vehicle maintenance buildings each 120 by 30 feet, 4 support buildings, and 1 administration building.

Small-Arms Firing Ranges

Area L contains 3 small-arms firing ranges, 1,200 by 300 feet, 900 by 300 feet and 300 by 250 feet, and 1 support building.

Tank/Assault Gun Firing Range

Area N is a 4,500-foot firing range with two 1,500-foot lanes, 1 moving target, and 1 support building. The range appears to be abandoned.

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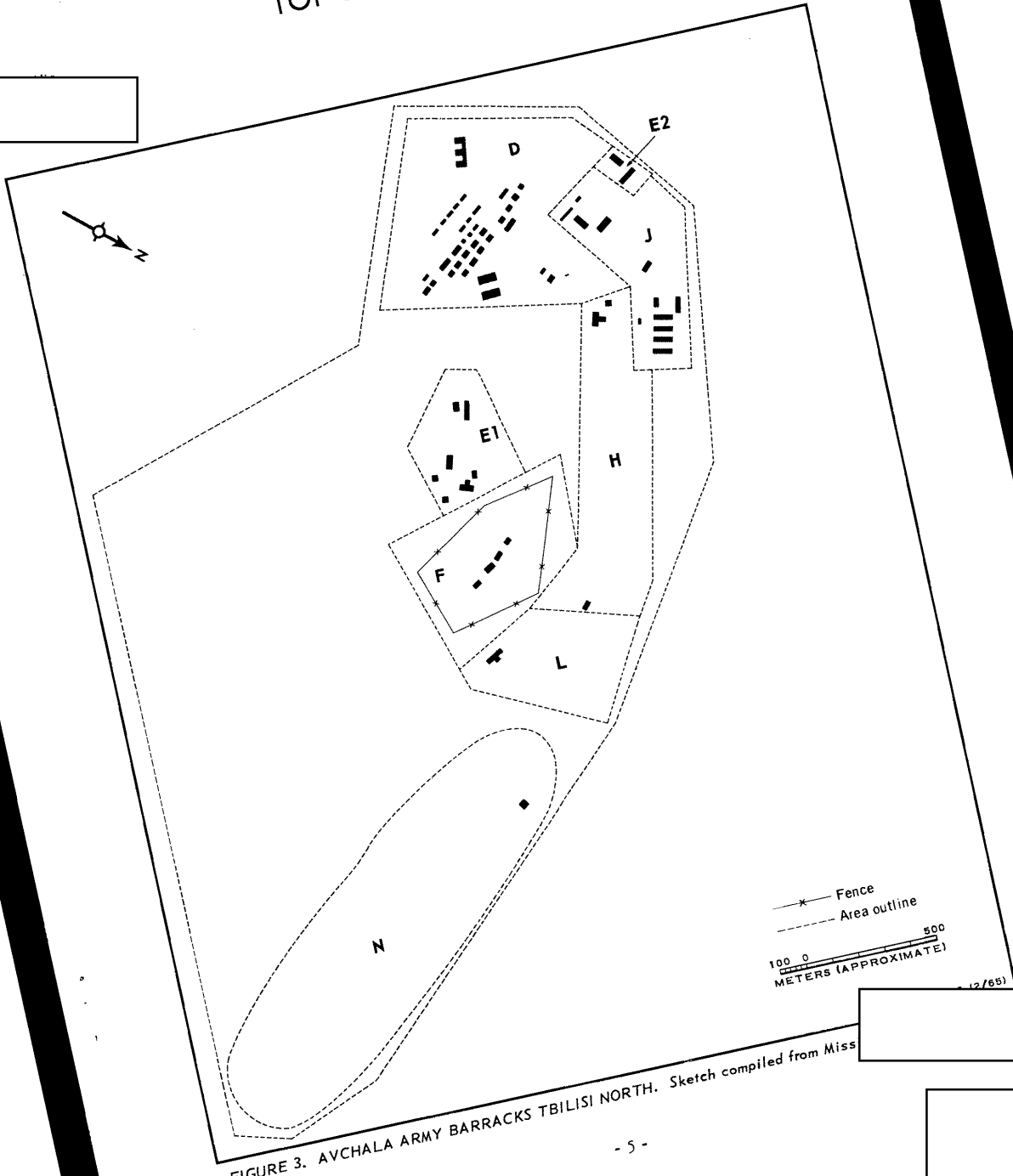


FIGURE 3. AVCHALA ARMY BARRACKS TBILISI NORTH. Sketch compiled from Miss

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